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1. LILIOM, K. et al, "Growth factor-like phospholipids generated after corneal injury", Am. J. Phys., 1998, Vol. 274, 4 Pt 1, p. C1065-74
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3. CHRZANOWSKA-WODNICKA, M. et al, "Rho-stimulated contractility drives the formation of stress fibers and focal adhesions", J. Cell Biol., 1996, Vol. 133, No. 6, p. 1403-15

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4. SUNDARRAJ, M. et al, "Nuclear translocation of a Rho-A binding serine/threonine kinase (ROCK-I) is associated with corneal epithelial proliferation in vitro", Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, 1998, Vol. 39, No. 4, p. S201

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